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OUTGOING TELEGRAM  
OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE

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TO :

23 MAY 1957

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FROM :

REF : 1726 (COMMANDERS REPORT)

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1. MISSION 1375, [REDACTED] FLOWN 21 MAY 1957, [REDACTED] 353.

2. THE MISSION WAS SIXTY-FIVE TO SEVENTY PERCENT SUCCESSFUL, WITH WEATHER BEING THE LIMITING FACTOR.

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3. [REDACTED] PERFORMANCE, COMMUNICATIONS, [REDACTED]

WERE EXCELLENT. THERE WAS MORE CLOUD COVER THAN FORECAST, A LAYER OF CIRRUS OVER THE NORTH AND NORTHEAST PROTION OF THE ROUTE. [REDACTED] PERFORMANCE WAS SUPERIOR; MINOR DEVIATIONS FROM COURSE BEING ATTRITUTABLE TO WEATHER.

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4. TEST CLIPS FROM THE [REDACTED] THREE WERE TAKEN AT END OF THE MISSION, BUT QUALITY WAS UNDETERMINABLE DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS OVER THE BASE.

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5. THE [REDACTED] FOR THIS MISSION CONTAINED SEVERAL DISCREPANCIES AND DEVIATIONS FROM PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED PROCEDURES. THE COORDINATES OF TARGET EIGHT, ALEPPO AIR FIELD, APPEARED TO BE SEVERAL MILES IN ERROR, AND

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AS NOTED IN [REDACTED] 4381, THE COORDINATES OF TARGET FOURTEEN, HMEEIMNE, WERE 180 MILES IN ERROR. IN THE PAST [REDACTED] HAVE DISTINGUISHED BETWEEN

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TARGETS, TURNING POINTS, AND THE TERMINAL POINTS OF FLIGHT LINES. IN THIS

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[REDACTED] THIS WAS NOT DONE. THE TARGETS WERE SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED, BUT NO INDICATION WAS GIVEN AS TO WHETHER THE INTERMEDIATE POINTS WERE TO BE TREATED AS FLIGHT LINES OR TURNING POINTS. IT IS REQUESTED THAT IN THE FUTURE WHEN FLIGHT LINES ARE DESIRED, THAT THE STATEMENT, "REQUEST ON COURSE COVERAGE BETWEEN POINTS CHARLIE AND DELTA" BE MADE, OTHERWISE IT WILL BE ASSUMED THAT SUCH INTERMEDIATE POINTS ARE MERELY TURNING POINTS.

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UNDER PARAGRAPH "ECHO" THE STATEMENT, "NOTIFY [REDACTED] REPEAT [REDACTED] TO  
PROVIDE FAST TRANSPORTATION OF TAKE" IS MADE. OPS POLICY LETTER NO. 20,  
DATED 10 APR 57 STATES THAT IT IS PROJECT HQS RESPONSIBILITY TO NOTIFY

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[REDACTED] WHEN FAST TRANSPORTATION OF TAKE IS DESIRED. ALSO, AS NOTED IN

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[REDACTED] 4381 AND [REDACTED] 0339 THE ORDER OF TRANSMISSION OF THE [REDACTED] AND THE

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NOTIFICATION MESSAGE TO [REDACTED] WAS INCORRECT.

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6. ABOVE DETAILED CRITIQUE PRESENTED SINCE FEEL YOUR PURPOSE IN USCM  
IS FOR MAXIMUM TECHNIQUE AND IMPROVEMENT.

END OF MESSAGE

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[REDACTED]

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